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Sent: Fri 2/24/2017 9:42:33 PM
Subject: RE: Rep. Mark Amodei Legislative Director Request for Update on Anaconda Mine (Nevada)

I talked to Brent earlier. Let's do it next week, maybe from AZ.

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Sent: Friday, February 24, 2017 1:38 PM
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Subject: Re: Rep. Mark Amodei Legislative Director Request for Update on Anaconda Mine (Nevada)

Thanks Brent. I'm available to provide an update via phone today or next wk since I will be in AZ all next week. It is important that we let Rep Amodei that at the request of NDEP, we have postponed final NPL listing to this Summer.

Sent from my iPhone

> On Feb 24, 2017, at 12:40 PM, Maier, Brent <Maier.Brent@epa.gov> wrote:
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> All –
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> Please see the request below from Jason Riederer, Legislative Director, for Congressman Mark Amodei. It appears that Harry Ball is out of the office until Wednesday, March 1st, so wanted to see when we might be able to offer up a call with Jason Riederer to update him. Please note that I will be out of the office all of next week (February 27 – March 3rd) so will ask Dean Higuchi to assist in the setting up and finalizing of a call for next week once those who need to participate and their schedules are determined.
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> In the interim, I can share with Jason the attached November 2016 Anaconda fact sheet and our press release below sent out on September 8, 2016 which states that the site was “proposed”, but not yet added to the NPL.
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September 8, 2016 Press Release:
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> FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:
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> Sept. 8, 2016
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> EPA Proposes to Add Anaconda Mine Site in Nevada to National Priorities List
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> (SAN FRANCISCO) — Today, the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) announced it is proposing to add the Anaconda Copper Mine site in Lyon County, Nev., to the Superfund program's National Priorities List. Today's proposal is the first step in a process to make the site eligible to receive

federal funding for a long-term, permanent cleanup.

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> “We have been working to address the contamination at the Anaconda Mine since 2001,” said Alexis Strauss, EPA’s Acting Regional Administrator for the Pacific Southwest. “EPA welcomes public input on the proposal and we look forward to continuing our collaborative work with BLM, the State of Nevada and local officials, tribal governments and the Lyon County community.”

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> “This public notice in the Federal Register is an anticipated next step in the process to secure federal funds to help with remediation of the Anaconda mine site,” said Kay Scherer, Interim Director of the Department of Conservation and Natural Resources. “We are pleased to see that the site – which remains fully under control – has been recognized and included on the list of proposed national priorities, as it demonstrates that the U.S. EPA acknowledges the site is on track to proceed with corrective action.”

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> “The BLM agrees with both EPA and the State that the site warrants attention,” said John Ruhs, Bureau of Land Management Nevada State Director. “The BLM looks forward to continuing to work collaboratively with the EPA and the State of Nevada on this issue.”

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> The State, EPA and potentially responsible parties have made significant progress in studying, characterizing and in some instances, cleaning up portions of the Anaconda Copper Mine site. Listing the site will allow access to funding, and development of a comprehensive plan to address the contamination.

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> The Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation and Liability Act (CERCLA), the law establishing the Superfund program, requires EPA to update the NPL at least annually and clean up hazardous waste sites to protect human health with the goal of returning them to productive use. The Superfund program has provided important benefits for people and the environment since Congress established the program in 1980. Those benefits are both direct and indirect, and include reduction of threats to human health and ecological systems in the vicinity of Superfund sites, improvement of the economic conditions and quality of life in communities affected by hazardous waste sites, prevention of future releases of hazardous substances, and advances in science and technology.

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> For Federal Register notices and supporting documents for the final and proposed sites:

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> <https://www.epa.gov/superfund/current-npl-updates-new-proposed-npl-sites-and-new-npl-sites>

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> For additional documentation, please visit:

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> <https://www.epa.gov/superfund/anacondacoppermine>

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> For information about Superfund and the NPL:

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> <http://www.epa.gov/superfund> <<http://www.epa.gov/superfund%20>>

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> Subject: EPA Region IX - Anaconda Mine (Nevada)

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> Brent,

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> The Congressman would like to receive an update on where the process stands in the EPA Region IX office regarding certain parcels pertaining to the Anaconda Mine clean-up that EPA has brokered with the State of Nevada and British Petroleum (BP)? It's our understanding the process should be completed soon?

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> Additionally, now that the Anaconda Mine has been designated a superfund site, the Congressman wants to learn of the timeframe the EPA has set to address this site and if funds have been appropriated it? It was our understanding Senator Reid worked with EPA to identify and direct funds to this site, and to raise its priority on the list, before he retired last year.

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> Thank you for any information,

> Jason

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> <Anaconda Proposed Plan Final 11-16 print.pdf>